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Applicants:	Shaffer, et al.)	
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Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DYNAMIC CODEC ALTERATION)	Date of Deposit:
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Examiner:	Brian D. Nguyen)	

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

- I. **Prior to abandonment of the application**
- II. **Payment of the issue fee**
 - Prior to payment of issue fee.
 - Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 has been granted
- III. **Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences**
 - A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals &

Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed

- iv. Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §114, OR
- Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §146
 - Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
 - Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- A Petition for Extension of Time for one (1) month.
- Please enter the unentered Amendment mailed on December 18, 2003.
- Please enter the enclosed PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT.
- An Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. §1.98) with PTO-1449 and Five (5) references.
- New arguments
- New evidence in support of patentability
- Other:

Fee for REQUEST (37 C.F.R. §1.17(e))

4. Filing fee has been calculated as shown below after entering the previous amendment and the preliminary amendment (other than small entity):

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	x Rate	Additional Fees
Total Claims	13	-20	=0	x \$ 18	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claim	3	-3	=0	x \$ 86	\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of a Multiple Dependent Claim				x \$290	\$-0-
				Basic filing Fee	\$770.00
				Total	\$770.00

5. [x] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2179 in the amount of \$ 770.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.25. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
6. [] This application, as amended, names as inventors:
[] the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.
[] fewer than the inventors previously designated and a statement accompanies this request for the deletion of the name or names of the person or persons who are not inventors of the invention now being claimed.
[] a person not named previously as an inventor and a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.48 is/has separately: [] being filed [] been filed
7. [] A request for deferral of examination accompanies this Request for Continued Examination.

Date: 22 Jan 04

Respectfully submitted,



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